

**Subject:** Re: Additional Questions  
**Date:** Tue, 13 Dec 2016 16:47:46 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Brett Banks - WPT <brett.banks@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAOf79dRfrmYNb10=fwBKICSe+LmUy7LXv\_hePfQ9hwq+ZAvF3w@mail.gmail.com>  
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Thank you.

On Tue, Dec 13, 2016 at 4:26 PM, Brett Banks - WPT <[brett.banks@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.banks@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Michael,  
Here is some more information on the additional questions you had asked about on the call this afternoon.

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Tim, obviously step in as needed. I hope this helps. Please feel free to give a buzz if you have any other questions.

Thanks,  
Brett

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Brett Banks

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**Subject:** Fwd: From the NYT editorial board  
**Date:** Mon, 5 Dec 2016 14:16:14 -0500  
**From:** Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZMM <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
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Hi Ashley,

We are planning to write an editorial about the lease between the GSA and the Trump Organization for the Old Post Office. I am reaching out to see if someone from the GSA would be available to talk to me about how the agency is thinking about the issues at stake here, specifically the clause in the lease that bars elected officials from benefitting from it. Do let me know if someone there would be willing to talk to me.

All the best,

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My deadline is this Friday, Nov. 25, at 5 p.m. Eastern.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Much appreciated,

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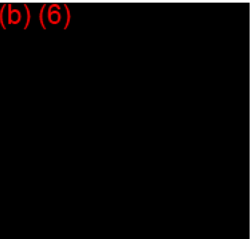
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**Attachments:** Rep. Maxine Waters Letter to GSA Administrator Roth - Trump International Hotel DC - 12-5-16.pdf

FYSA for the group.

OCIA will enter into the CDT system.



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**To:** "[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)" <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)>

He Lisa,

Please find attached a letter from Congresswoman Waters to Administrator Denise Turner Roth regarding the Trump International Hotel in Washington, D.C. Please let me know if you have any questions.

**Twaun Samuel**

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Office of Congresswoman Maxine Waters (CA-43)  
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Thank you. Would like to discuss.  
As soon as you are ready.

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**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, Robert Carter - DP <robert.carter@gsa.gov>, Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>  
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Thank you.

Ashley: To be clear, all these properties are owned by the United States Government. Those I listed as "owned" by GSA are formally under the control and custody of GSA.

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Hi Michael. The African Burial Ground is owned by the National Parks Service.

Sent from my iPhone

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Regarding question #2 - information presented is the current data available to the public. GSA has yet to issue the FY16 figures.

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The US Post Office's Loop Station in Chicago  
The David W. Dyer Federal Building and US Courthouse in Miami  
The Alexander Hamilton US Custom House in Manhattan

My deadline is this Friday, Nov. 25, at 5 p.m. Eastern.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Much appreciated,

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**Subject:** Re: OPO/get backs  
**Date:** Mon, 19 Dec 2016 19:10:48 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Tim Tozer - LR <timothy.tozer@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Brett Banks - WPT <brett.banks@gsa.gov>, "Lisa Austin (S)" <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>, Alice Yates - S <alice.yates@gsa.gov>, Andrew Blaylock - OCIA <andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov>, Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>  
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Thank you.

On the sublease question, does the GSA contract require that GSA approve or review any sublease contract?

On Mon, Dec 19, 2016 at 1:28 PM, Tim Tozer - LR <[timothy.tozer@gsa.gov](mailto:timothy.tozer@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Andrew,

After discussing with Brett Banks, I recommend the following in answer to the questions below. This is just a draft, and I'm open to changing the language as needed.

**Question**

What is the status of subleases? Have subleases been ceased out? (Ex. ensure Trump Steaks is not included in a sublease.)

**Proposed Answer**

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**Question**

GSA POC at OPO LLC and transition team.

**Proposed Answer**

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**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Alice Yates - S <alice.yates@gsa.gov>, Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Andrew Blaylock - OCIA <andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov>, "Lisa Austin (S)" <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>, "Brett Banks (WPT-C)" <brett.banks@gsa.gov>  
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I will need to get you the specifics in the morning. As I recall, there are major and minor subleases. We have different rights depending on the type.

-Tim

On Dec 19, 2016 7:11 PM, "Michael Gelber - PD" <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

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**Proposed Answer**

(b) (5)



**Question**

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**Proposed Answer**

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**Subject:** OPO/get backs  
**Date:** Mon, 19 Dec 2016 13:28:38 -0500  
**From:** Tim Tozer - LR <timothy.tozer@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Andrew Blaylock - OCIA <andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Lisa Austin (S)" <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>, Alice Yates - S <alice.yates@gsa.gov>, Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Brett Banks - WPT <brett.banks@gsa.gov>, Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>  
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**Proposed Answer**

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**Proposed Answer**

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**Subject:** Fwd: Letter from Senators Warren and Carper to Administrator Roth  
**Date:** Thu, 1 Dec 2016 11:08:36 -0700  
**From:** Timothy Horne - 8P <tim.horne@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAK5wmUoXUJNrQ3862u8BwZwQDS65ps+ANoWRFYyFmEY7Z=mV3A@mail.gmail.com>  
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**Attachments:** 12 1 16 Warren-Carper Letter to GSA re Old Post Office Building Lease.pdf

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From: **Lisa Austin - S** <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)>  
Date: Thu, Dec 1, 2016 at 10:57 AM  
Subject: Fwd: Letter from Senators Warren and Carper to Administrator Roth  
To: Denise Roth - A <[denise.roth@gsa.gov](mailto:denise.roth@gsa.gov)>, Katy Kale - AC <[katy.kale@gsa.gov](mailto:katy.kale@gsa.gov)>, "Nathaniel Denny (PBA)" <[nathaniel.denny@gsa.gov](mailto:nathaniel.denny@gsa.gov)>, "Kris Durmer (L)" <[kris.durmer@gsa.gov](mailto:kris.durmer@gsa.gov)>, Timothy Horne - 8P <[tim.horne@gsa.gov](mailto:tim.horne@gsa.gov)>, "Tim Tozer (LDW)" <[timothy.tozer@gsa.gov](mailto:timothy.tozer@gsa.gov)>, Brett Prather <[brett.prather@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.prather@gsa.gov)>, Alice Yates - S <[alice.yates@gsa.gov](mailto:alice.yates@gsa.gov)>, Andrew Blaylock - OCIA <[andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov](mailto:andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov)>, Brett Banks - WPT <[brett.banks@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.banks@gsa.gov)>

See attached letter from Senators Carper and Warren.

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From: **Berrios, Roberto (HSGAC)** <[Roberto\\_Berrios@hsgac.senate.gov](mailto:Roberto_Berrios@hsgac.senate.gov)>  
Date: Thu, Dec 1, 2016 at 12:53 PM  
Subject: Letter from Senators Warren and Carper to Administrator Roth  
To: "lisa.austin@gsa.gov" <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)>, "katy.kale@gsa.gov" <[katy.kale@gsa.gov](mailto:katy.kale@gsa.gov)>  
Cc: "Secreto, Jim (HSGAC)" <[Jim\\_Secreto@hsgac.senate.gov](mailto:Jim_Secreto@hsgac.senate.gov)>, "Cohen, Brian (Warren)" <[Brian\\_Cohen@warren.senate.gov](mailto:Brian_Cohen@warren.senate.gov)>, "Savage, Susannah (Warren)" <[Susannah\\_Savage@warren.senate.gov](mailto:Susannah_Savage@warren.senate.gov)>

Hi Lisa,

Attached please find a letter from Senators Warren and Carper to Administrator Roth regarding GSA's lease agreement related to the Old Post Office building in Washington, DC. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,

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**Subject:** Fwd: Letter from Senators Warren and Carper to Administrator Roth  
**Date:** Thu, 1 Dec 2016 13:35:45 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Norm Dong - P <norman.dong@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert - AD <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAOf79dTivdz1QF\_amsj2wTycAnWVzMZHb3Q7fDRxhgfPHP\_4dQ@mail.gmail.com>  
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Ranking Member Tom Carper

**Subject:** Fwd: OPO Waiver Memo  
**Date:** Fri, 2 Dec 2016 11:51:09 -0500  
**From:** Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Angie Coutain - H1AA <angeletta.coutain@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAA87WecY6Knz26HdBU93CO8vZ1nsR5vG6BN2teDaZtLrCaw-gw@mail.gmail.com>  
**MD5:** 1bc9a5908159c25ca68b602f4d536941  
**Attachments:** OPO Clock Tower Waiver Request 12-01-2016.docx

sharing for your awareness

Gregg Trembl

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From: **Tim Turano - WPM** <[tim.turano@gsa.gov](mailto:tim.turano@gsa.gov)>  
Date: Fri, Dec 2, 2016 at 11:50 AM  
Subject: Fwd: OPO Waiver Memo  
To: Gregg Trembl - P <[gregg.trembl@gsa.gov](mailto:gregg.trembl@gsa.gov)>  
Cc: Mary Gibert <[mary.gibert@gsa.gov](mailto:mary.gibert@gsa.gov)>

Hi Gregg - I am sending you a bootleg copy of the correspondence making its way to Norm thru CDT. This may not be final yet so please understand we are routing it today and will expedite. I just wanted you to see where we are.

Once this makes its way to Norm (thru Angie in CDT,) Tom Williams has a one-pager to put together for Norm to check to go to the Access Board. Tom is out sick today but knows the urgency. Tom already prebriefed the access board and they are anticipating this.

More to come.

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Date: Fri, Dec 2, 2016 at 11:18 AM

Subject: OPO Waiver Memo

To: Tim Turano - WPM1E <[tim.turano@gsa.gov](mailto:tim.turano@gsa.gov)>

Cc: Brett Banks <[brett.banks@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.banks@gsa.gov)>

Hi Tim,

Here's Ed's memo without the concurrence page. I also edited and formatted the top of the first page. Brett's awaiting Sheila's review of the decision paper, but I'm not sure if Mary needs it. If we don't need the decision paper, I think the hard package should be ready today for circulation.

Calvin

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**Subject:** Hill letters on OPO  
**Date:** Mon, 5 Dec 2016 15:11:33 -0500  
**From:** Lisa Austin - S <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAE2DtbIWzaXx9gRhQTudxeSA8sJFAM=ZTYZnNR=kyuzgs=\_-8w@mail.gmail.com>  
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**Subject:** Re: OPO Clock Tower  
**Date:** Mon, 14 Nov 2016 16:38:44 -0500  
**From:** Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Tim Turano - WPM <tim.turano@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>, Susan Sylvester - ZACB <susan.sylvester@gsa.gov>  
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Thank you Tim. Please keep us posted as new developments happen and after the Wednesday meeting.

-Gregg

Gregg Trembl

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On Mon, Nov 14, 2016 at 4:36 PM, Tim Turano - WPM <[tim.turano@gsa.gov](mailto:tim.turano@gsa.gov)> wrote:

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So, we are still on hold in opening the tour for tours giving the added attention the building has received since the general election.

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**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mary Gibert <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>, Susan Sylvester - ZACB <susan.sylvester@gsa.gov>  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Trump Holding A Lease with GSA  
**Date:** Thu, 10 Nov 2016 20:22:57 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Mary Gibert - AD <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, "Chris Wisner (PR)" <chris.wisner@gsa.gov>, Barry Segal <barry.segal@gsa.gov>  
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Subject: Trump Holding A Lease with GSA  
To: Michael Gelber - 9Q <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)>, Brett Prather - Z <[brett.prather@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.prather@gsa.gov)>, Teresa Wykpisz-Lee - ZB <[teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov](mailto:teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov)>, Donna Garland - OCM <[donna.garland@gsa.gov](mailto:donna.garland@gsa.gov)>, Robert Wexler <[rob.wexler@gsa.gov](mailto:rob.wexler@gsa.gov)>, Matthew Burrell - ZMB <[matthew.burrell@gsa.gov](mailto:matthew.burrell@gsa.gov)>, Ken Goldman - QDOC <[kenneth.goldman@gsa.gov](mailto:kenneth.goldman@gsa.gov)>, Chris Wisner - PR <[chris.wisner@gsa.gov](mailto:chris.wisner@gsa.gov)>

## Leasing

When [Donald Trump](#) takes office as president of the United States in January, he'll have the unique distinction of simultaneously being commander in chief and also a federal government lease-holder.

<http://www.bizjournals.com/washington/news/2016/11/10/donald-trump-will-soon-be-president-he-also-holds.html>

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**Subject:** Fwd: Engagement Letter  
**Date:** Thu, 17 Nov 2016 12:42:28 -0500  
**From:** Cynthia Metzler - H <cynthia.metzler@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Norm Dong - P <norman.dong@gsa.gov>, "Michael Gelber (9Q)" <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, Katy Kale - AC <katy.kale@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Theresa Ottery - QAS <theresa.ottery@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAOYtU9Dup5V8+KFZOwHqwoMQ8-scJwdM7zAuaL70xA\_EQEiEQg@mail.gmail.com>  
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**Attachments:** A170035 Engagement Letter.pdf

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Please find attached an engagement letter for our monitoring of GSA's administration of the Old Post Office Building case.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Gallagher, Audit Manager, at [kevin.gallagher@gsaig.gov](mailto:kevin.gallagher@gsaig.gov)/202-501-0075 or Marisa Roinestad, Associate Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Auditing, at [marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov](mailto:marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov)/202-273-7241.

**\*\*\*If you have any questions, please respond using the contact information provided above. This mailbox is unable to receive emails.\*\*\***

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Date: Nov 17, 2016 12:42  
Subject: Fwd: Engagement Letter  
To: "Norm Dong - P" <[norman.dong@gsa.gov](mailto:norman.dong@gsa.gov)>, "Michael Gelber (9Q)" <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)>, "Gregg Trembl - P" <[gregg.trembl@gsa.gov](mailto:gregg.trembl@gsa.gov)>, "Katy Kale - AC" <[katy.kale@gsa.gov](mailto:katy.kale@gsa.gov)>  
Cc: "Theresa Ottery - QAS" <[theresa.ottery@gsa.gov](mailto:theresa.ottery@gsa.gov)>

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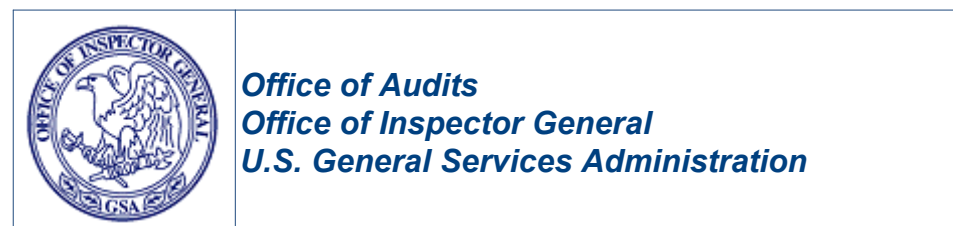
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Date: Wed, Nov 16, 2016 at 1:47 PM  
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To: [mary.gibert@gsa.gov](mailto:mary.gibert@gsa.gov)  
Cc: [cynthia.metzler@gsa.gov](mailto:cynthia.metzler@gsa.gov), [leroy.ford@gsa.gov](mailto:leroy.ford@gsa.gov), [theresa.ottery@gsa.gov](mailto:theresa.ottery@gsa.gov), [les.painter@gsa.gov](mailto:les.painter@gsa.gov), [GAO-IGAuditMgmtDiv@gsa.gov](mailto:GAO-IGAuditMgmtDiv@gsa.gov), [marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov](mailto:marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov), [brian.gibson@gsaig.gov](mailto:brian.gibson@gsaig.gov), [lisa.blanchard@gsaig.gov](mailto:lisa.blanchard@gsaig.gov)



Please find attached an engagement letter for our monitoring of GSA's administration of the Old Post Office Building case.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Gallagher, Audit Manager, at [kevin.gallagher@gsaig.gov](mailto:kevin.gallagher@gsaig.gov)/202-501-0075 or Marisa Roinestad, Associate Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Auditing, at [marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov](mailto:marisa.roinestad@gsaig.gov)/202-273-7241.

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**Subject:** Fwd: Reporter inquiry from Quartz  
**Date:** Wed, 23 Nov 2016 16:25:43 -0500  
**From:** Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZMM <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
**To:** michael.gelber@gsa.gov  
**Message-ID:** <-1960386850874396863@unknownmsgid>  
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Can you help me with his second two questions?

Ashley Nash-Hahn  
Press Secretary  
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**From:** (b) (6) @qz.com>  
**Date:** November 23, 2016 at 1:47:55 PM EST  
**To:** [ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov](mailto:ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov)  
**Subject:** Reporter inquiry from Quartz

Hi Ashley,

I'm writing with three requests for a story that I'm working on.

First, I'm wondering if GSA has made any statement since the presidential election about the Trump Organization's leasing the Old Post Office building in DC. If so, would appreciate your directing me to it.

Second, I'm wondering if the attached list of top markets for assets of the Public Buildings Service is the latest. I downloaded it on Tuesday from GSA's website, but the data is from the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 2015.

Finally, I'm wondering if you or one of your colleagues can confirm for me that the following properties are owned by GSA:

The African Burial Ground Memorial in Manhattan  
The US Post Office's Loop Station in Chicago  
The David W. Dyer Federal Building and US Courthouse in Miami  
The Alexander Hamilton US Custom House in Manhattan

My deadline is this Friday, Nov. 25, at 5 p.m. Eastern.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Much appreciated,

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**Subject:** Fwd: OPO Clock Tower Operating Plan Frame Work  
**Date:** Tue, 8 Nov 2016 10:48:40 -0500  
**From:** Tim Turano - WPM <tim.turano@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAB76QcDewmPP33USahwF0BgLdLFF+ubhbp4BhwGeJtxp7e3hqQ@mail.gmail.com>  
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Michael - for our 11 a.m. meeting. I am afraid I am calling in vs coming over in person.

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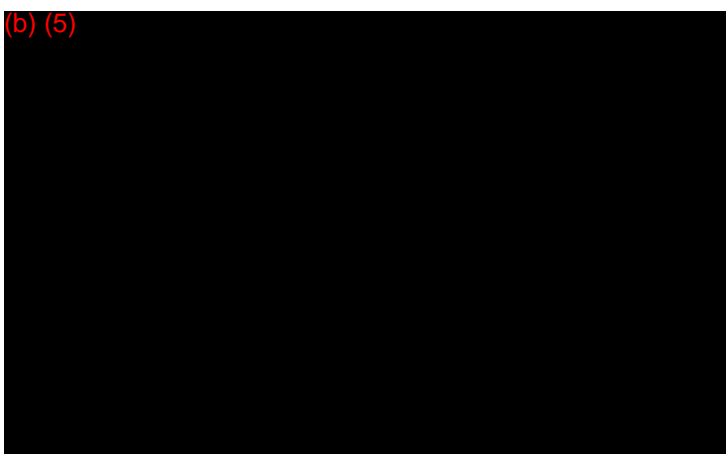
From: **Calvin Myint - WPM1D** <[calvin.myint@gsa.gov](mailto:calvin.myint@gsa.gov)>  
Date: Tue, Nov 8, 2016 at 10:46 AM  
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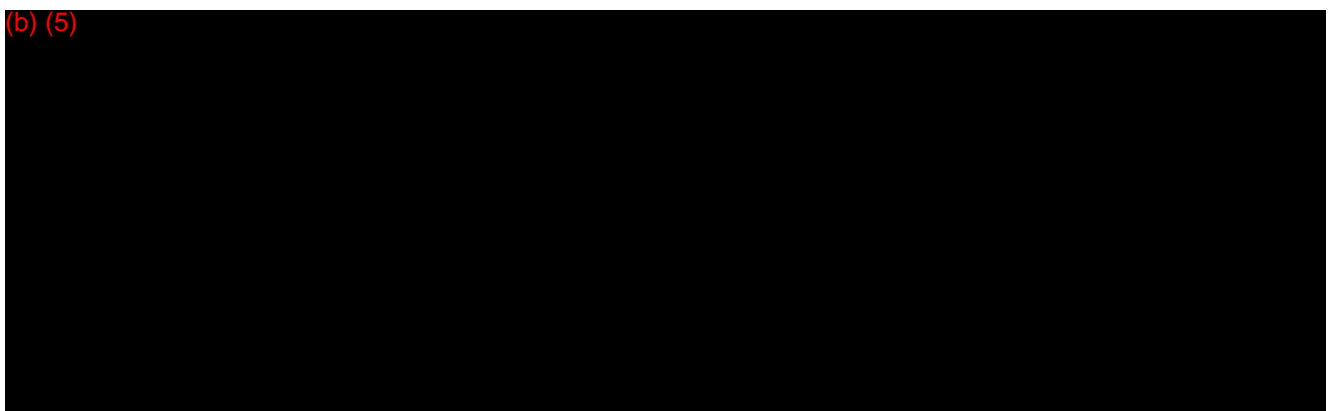
Here's what I have so far. Let me know if you have any questions.

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**Subject:** Fwd: Question Regarding GSA Operating the Old Post Office Clock Tower  
**Date:** Mon, 7 Nov 2016 11:21:47 -0500  
**From:** Julia Hudson - WA <julia.hudson@gsa.gov>  
**To:** norman.dong@gsa.gov  
**Cc:** michael.gelber@gsa.gov, tyler.odenth@gsa.gov  
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Norm, please see note below. Team is due to circle back today regarding specific day this week. Jeh

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**To:** Calvin Myint - WPM1D <[calvin.myint@gsa.gov](mailto:calvin.myint@gsa.gov)>  
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Calvin

Ultimately, GSA is responsible for the Clock Tower because the OPO is a building in our inventory and the lease agreement carves out certain government responsibility for the Clock Tower. GSA can operate the clock tower with its own GSA employees, if it so wishes. This is particularly so where [as I understand it] NPS employees are not yet in place and, thus, GSA is not yet paying salary expenses under the MOU for those NPS employees.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

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**Subject:** Fwd: First Word Alert: Sen. Warren to Introduce Bill Requiring Trump to Exit Businesses  
**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 09:49:38 -0500  
**From:** Saul Japson - S <saul.japson@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
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## [Sen. Warren to Introduce Bill Requiring Trump to Exit Businesses](#)

December 15, 2016 07:21AM ET | Bloomberg First Word

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Sen. [Elizabeth Warren](#), [Ben Cardin](#), [Chris Coons](#), Dick Durbin and [Jeff Merkley](#) to co-sponsor legislation

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**Subject:** Re: SPOT - NCR - Protest - Washington, DC  
**Date:** Tue, 15 Nov 2016 12:45:27 -0500  
**From:** Robert Carter - D <robert.carter@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Dustin Williams - OMA <dustin.williams@gsa.gov>, Robert Shaw <robertd.shaw@gsa.gov>  
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Dustin,

I agree with the note below. "Peaceful" would suffice. Let's remind the team about being careful about potentially biased/unnecessary wording in these type of SPOT reports.

Thank you.

Robert J. Carter  
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Office of Mission Assurance  
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Washington, DC 20405  
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On Tue, Nov 15, 2016 at 12:42 PM, Michael Gelber - PD <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

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More opinion than fact.

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**Subject:** Re: Fwd: 2016-12-22.EEC et al to Roth re Trump International Hotel  
**Date:** Thu, 22 Dec 2016 17:37:52 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Lisa Austin - S <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** "Nathaniel Denny (PBA)" <nathaniel.denny@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
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On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 5:34 PM, Lisa Austin - S <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)> wrote:

do any of you know what on earth this is? I sent this e-mail to what said Brett Banks in my address book - could this be what that is?

this is a bounce back from the OPO letter I just sent around



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**To:** "[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)" <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)>

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**Subject:** Re: OPO/get backs  
**Date:** Tue, 20 Dec 2016 07:32:50 -0500  
**From:** Tim Tozer - LR <timothy.tozer@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - 9Q <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Alice Yates - S <alice.yates@gsa.gov>, Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Andrew Blaylock - OCIA <andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov>, "Lisa Austin (S)" <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>, "Brett Banks (WPT-C)" <brett.banks@gsa.gov>  
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Michael,

See below for the definitions of major and minor sublease and the main section from the lease describing our "approved" rights.

### **Definitions**

"Major Sublease" shall mean either (x) a Sublease or combination of Subleases to a single Space Tenant or its Affiliates totaling a cumulative 10,000 usable square feet or more in the Premises; or (y) a Sublease to any Space Tenant for a portion of the Premises of any size that has access doors, display window space, or outdoor seating fronting Pennsylvania Avenue.

"Minor Sublease" shall mean a Sublease (x) or combination of Subleases to a Space Tenant and its Affiliates totaling less than a cumulative 10,000 usable square feet at the Premises and (y) to a Space Tenant for a portion of the Premises that does not have access doors, display window space or outdoor seating fronting Pennsylvania Avenue.

"Sublease" shall mean an instrument or agreement to which Tenant is a party, pursuant to which Tenant grants to another Person the right or license to sublease, use, occupy and possess for a specified term a portion of the Premises for any Permitted Use including operating a retail store, newsstand, parking operation, health club athletic facility, or other service establishment, including without limitation any restaurant lease but excluding any Leasehold Mortgage.

### **Section 15.5 Subleases.**

(a) Major Sublease. Except for a sublease of all or substantially all of the Premises (which shall be deemed an assignment and subject to Section 15.2 and 15.3), Landlord shall not unreasonably withhold, condition or delay its consent to Tenant's written notice detailing a proposed Major Sublease (the "Major Sublease Notice", which shall include a document substantially in the form of Exhibit K executed by Tenant). If Tenant does not receive a written response, which either grants or denies consent, within ten (10) business days of the Major Sublease Notice, Tenant shall provide Landlord with a second written notice. If Tenant does not receive a written response from Landlord, which either grants or denies consent, within five (5) business days of the second notice, the consent requested in the Major Sublease Notice shall be deemed granted by Landlord.

(b) Minor Sublease. Tenant shall be permitted to enter into a Minor Sublease, provided that Tenant provide Landlord with at least fifteen (15) days' prior written notice of any Sublease, which notice shall provide explanatory information detailing why the Sublease is a Minor Sublease. In no event may the Minor Subtenant be an Excluded Contractor.

**Timothy C. Tozer**

Deputy Associate General Counsel  
Real Property Division  
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On Mon, Dec 19, 2016 at 7:14 PM, Tim Tozer - LR <[timothy.tozer@gsa.gov](mailto:timothy.tozer@gsa.gov)> wrote:

I will need to get you the specifics in the morning. As I recall, there are major and minor subleases. We have different rights depending on the type.

-Tim

On Dec 19, 2016 7:11 PM, "Michael Gelber - PD" <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Thank you.

On the sublease question, does the GSA contract require that GSA approve or review any sublease contract?

On Mon, Dec 19, 2016 at 1:28 PM, Tim Tozer - LR <[timothy.tozer@gsa.gov](mailto:timothy.tozer@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Andrew,

After discussing with Brett Banks, I recommend the following in answer to the questions below. This is just a draft, and I'm open to changing the language as needed.

**Question**

What is the status of all subleases? Have all subleases been ceased out? (Ex. ensure Trump Steaks is not included in a sublease.)

**Proposed Answer**

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**Question**

GSA POC at OPO LLC and transition team.

**Proposed Answer**

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**Subject:** Fwd: Seeking comment re: Trump hotel  
**Date:** Fri, 16 Dec 2016 11:25:37 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZB <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Teresa Wykpisz-Lee - ZB <teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAOf79dSP4M83usruhTtqsX8ENDDw30iE8A4+26nUHY9koMCjpQ@mail.gmail.com>  
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From: (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@federalnewsradio.com>  
Date: Fri, Dec 16, 2016 at 11:02 AM  
Subject: Seeking comment re: Trump hotel  
To: "michael.gelber@gsa.gov" <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>

Hi Michael,

I'm sure you've seen by now the press release put out by Reps. Cummings, DeFazio, Conaway, and Carson that discusses your conversation with them about the case GSA holds with President-elect Donald Trump. I'm sure you've also seen GSA's press release (below) in response to what the Democrats said.

From my reading of it, GSA's statement seems to walk back some of the conclusions that you've made, and yet doesn't disagree with you. Based on what you've seen and heard, would you have an idea of when GSA might definitively make a decision on this? I'd be happy to talk on background.

Many thanks,

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**From:** Renee Keedy - ZCR [mailto:renee.keedy@gsa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 14, 2016 12:43 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** Re: Seeking comment re: Trump hotel

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Please attribute the following to a GSA spokesperson:

GSA does not have a position that the lease provision requires the President-elect to divest of his financial interests. We can make no definitive statement at this time about what would constitute a breach of the agreement, and to do so now would be premature. In fact, no determination regarding the Old Post Office can be completed until the full circumstances surrounding the President-elect's business arrangements have been finalized and he has assumed office. GSA is committed to responsibly administering all of the leases to which it is a party.

**The full language of section 37.19 is below:**

*No member or delegate to Congress, or elected official of the Government of the United States or the Government of the District of Columbia, shall be admitted to any share or part of this Lease or to any benefit that may arise therefrom; provided, however, that this provision shall not be construed as extending to any Person who may be a shareholder or other beneficial owner of any publicly held corporation or other entity, if this Lease is for the general benefit of such corporation or other entity.*

Best,

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Public Affairs Officer

Office of Strategic Communication

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National Capital Region

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**Subject:** Re: NPR wants to know  
**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 13:34:11 -0500  
**From:** Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZMM <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Teresa Wykpisz-Lee <teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert - AD <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <4190773376923342206@unknownmsgid>  
**MD5:** fc681d3f6f50d88a06336f6fe3101051

NPR contacted us yesterday. They have our statement

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 15, 2016, at 12:19 PM, Michael Gelber - PD <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Sharing for your awareness and action as appropriate.

Message from GSA contact at State Department.

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From: "Bodner, Adam H" <[BodnerAH@state.gov](mailto:BodnerAH@state.gov)>  
Date: Dec 15, 2016 12:16  
Subject: FW: NPR wants to know  
To: "[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)" <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)>  
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**Sent:** Thursday, December 15, 2016 9:05 AM  
**To:** Adam Bodner; Bodner, Adam H  
**Subject:** Re: NPR wants to know

Yes please!

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**Subject:** Re: FW: NPR wants to know  
**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 12:21:16 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** BodnerAH@state.gov  
**Message-ID:** <CAOf79dSS6rMRGSgCkVjQnedxkd+h7q=DhMuQYvkok-YssoPYpg@mail.gmail.com>  
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Thanks.

Shared your note with GSA media office.

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**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 12:19:57 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZB <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Teresa Wykpisz-Lee - ZB <teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert - AD <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>  
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**Subject:** Re: NPS Point of Contact  
**Date:** Mon, 21 Nov 2016 09:33:15 -0500  
**From:** Calvin Myint - WPM1D <calvin.myint@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, Tim Turano - WPM <tim.turano@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mary Gibert <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>, Paula DeMuth <paula.demuth@gsa.gov>  
**Message-ID:** <CAF\_vxrg+upsQW+R6usDgN4wiE6qSmOW5rhSbJPWB\_tBZjbZT8w@mail.gmail.com>  
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**Attachments:** NPS-GSA OPO Clock Tower MOU 11.17.16.docx

Good morning Michael and Tim,

I have attached the latest version of the MOA. Please note that this version has GSA's comments received recently that I've shared with NPS. We are also awaiting NPS' proposed language on accessibility that they want to incorporate into the MOA. I have also made some minor edits to the main issues below:

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I will forward the latest NPS email regarding their proposed language for space finishes separately. Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you.

Calvin

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On Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 8:52 AM, Michael Gelber - PD <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Thank you.

Please share (or if someone else could) the latest draft of the MOA, and the last written communication from the Park Service on this matter.

On Mon, Nov 21, 2016 at 7:13 AM, Tim Turano - WPM <[tim.turano@gsa.gov](mailto:tim.turano@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Michael - I wanted to get this info to you so you have it this week.

Mike Reynolds is the NPS Deputy Director. Contact info:

[michael.reynolds@nps.gov](mailto:michael.reynolds@nps.gov)  
[202-208-4621](tel:202-208-4621)

Calvin - please pull together the latest this week regarding the demands of the NPS for the signing of the MOU/Interagency Agreement so Michael has the latest at the top of his inbox if he chooses to make a call vs a meeting.

As I recall the issues were:

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Calvin, add any additional info we need to be aware of.

Michael, I am away this week but in all next week. I am also available anytime this week for a call.

Tim Turano  
Director  
Office of Facilities Management  
U.S. General Services Administration  
National Capital Region  
w) [202-708-5891](tel:202-708-5891)  
c) (b) (6) [REDACTED]



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**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 17:16:04 +0000  
**From:** "Bodner, Adam H" <BodnerAH@state.gov>  
**To:** "michael.gelber@gsa.gov" <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
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**Subject:** Re: First Word Alert: Sen. Warren to Introduce Bill Requiring Trump to Exit Businesses  
**Date:** Thu, 15 Dec 2016 10:26:50 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Brett Prather <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, Teresa Wykpisz-Lee - ZB <teressa.wykpisz-lee@gsa.gov>, Ashley Nash-Hahn - ZB <ashley.nash-hahn@gsa.gov>  
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**Attachments:** 2016-12-15\_Conflicts\_of\_Interest\_Fact\_sheet.pdf

For awareness.

Press Release : [www.warren.senate.gov/?p=press\\_release&id=1329](http://www.warren.senate.gov/?p=press_release&id=1329)

Fact sheet attached.

Did not see any GSA references.

On Thu, Dec 15, 2016 at 9:50 AM, Alice Yates - S <[alice.yates@gsa.gov](mailto:alice.yates@gsa.gov)> wrote:

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**Date:** Thu, Dec 15, 2016 at 7:22 AM  
**Subject:** First Word Alert: Sen. Warren to Introduce Bill Requiring Trump to Exit Businesses



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December 15, 2016 07:21AM ET | Bloomberg First Word

(Bloomberg) -- Bill to be introduced in January, will require president and vice president to disclose and divest any potential financial conflicts of interest, Senate Democrats say in e-mailed statement.

○ Sens. [Elizabeth Warren](#), [Ben Cardin](#), [Chris Coons](#), Dick Durbin and [Jeff Merkley](#) to co-sponsor legislation

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**Subject:** Revised & Expanded Agency Statement  
**Date:** Fri, 16 Dec 2016 15:34:25 -0500  
**From:** Kris Durmer - L <kris.durmer@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Denise Roth - A <denise.roth@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Katy Kale - AC <katy.kale@gsa.gov>, "Michael Gelber (9Q)" <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>, "brett.prather@gsa.gov" <brett.prather@gsa.gov>, "Lisa Austin (S)" <lisa.austin@gsa.gov>  
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**MD5:** dfdd7ce788205357b9f23fd288a68ea9  
**Attachments:** OPO Draft Statement.OGC.121616 (1).docx

Denise,

As requested, the Office of General Counsel has prepared a longer draft agency statement (see attached) to address Section 37.19 of the lease between GSA and the Trump Organization for the redevelopment of the Old Post Office in Washington, DC.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to speak further.

My best,  
Kris

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**Date:** Wed, 14 Dec 2016 09:28:26 -0500  
**From:** Michael Gelber - PD <michael.gelber@gsa.gov>  
**To:** Norm Dong - P <norman.dong@gsa.gov>  
**Cc:** Gregg Trembl - P <gregg.trembl@gsa.gov>, Mary Gibert - AD <mary.gibert@gsa.gov>, Brett Banks - WPT-C <brett.banks@gsa.gov>, Barry Segal <barry.segal@gsa.gov>, Tim Tozer - LR <timothy.tozer@gsa.gov>  
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**MD5:** 18f1ece499ac67cf3de3ea2f81bba426  
**Attachments:** 2016-12-14.EEC DeFazio Connolly Carson to Roth re Trump Hotel Conflicts of Interest (1).pdf

Sharing letter received this morning.

Representations made in the letter are not accurate (particularly the third paragraph).

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From: **Lisa Austin - S** <[lisa.austin@gsa.gov](mailto:lisa.austin@gsa.gov)>  
Date: Wed, Dec 14, 2016 at 9:18 AM  
Subject: OPO House Briefing follow up letter  
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See attached

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this is a bounce back from the OPO letter I just sent around



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On Wed, Dec 14, 2016 at 9:49 AM, Mary Gibert - WP <[mary.gibert@gsa.gov](mailto:mary.gibert@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Can we get a copy of letter.

Thanks.

Mary

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On Dec 14, 2016, at 9:40 AM, Norm Dong - P <[norman.dong@gsa.gov](mailto:norman.dong@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Would like to discuss what response is warranted here, particularly if the letter misrepresents what GSA said during the briefing.

On Wed, Dec 14, 2016 at 9:28 AM, Michael Gelber - PD <[michael.gelber@gsa.gov](mailto:michael.gelber@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Sharing letter received this morning.

Representations made in the letter are not accurate (particularly the third paragraph).

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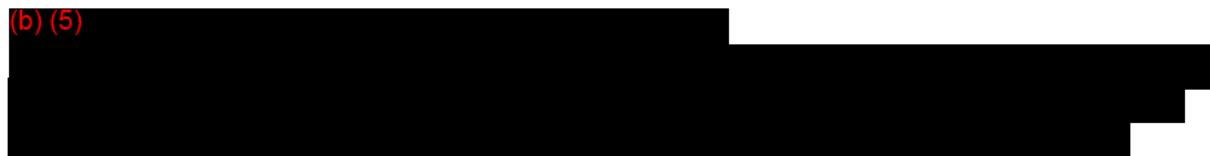
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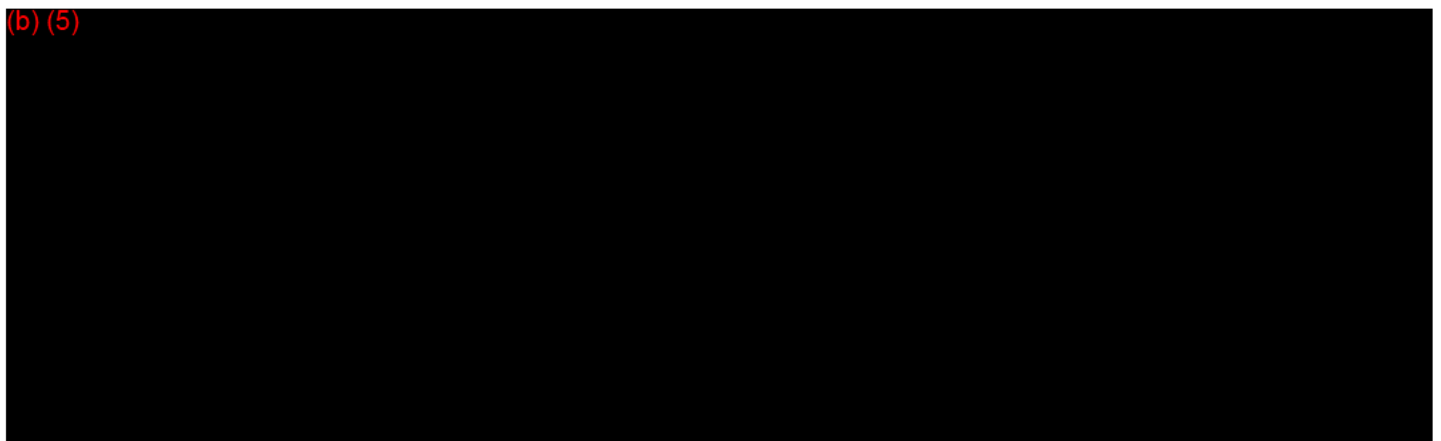
Most of what you're looking for is in the report we sent to Congress (see attached). Protections included security deposit; equity guaranty; bad acts guaranty; and insolvency or bankruptcy paragraph.

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On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 2:59 PM, Andrew Blaylock - S <[andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov](mailto:andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Tim,

Thank you for your input. Please note we are not attempting to answer the posed questions line by line.

I think the question that the Members are really asking/would like to know is why did the previous tenant file for bankruptcy and what contingencies has GSA put into place to protect its self from a similar type of event in the future.

With that in mind, does OGC have concerns or suggested edits to Alice's proposed language?

Thanks,

Andrew

On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 2:08 PM, Tim Tozer - LR <[timothy.tozer@gsa.gov](mailto:timothy.tozer@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Alice,

I think your response is not responsive to the question. The question does not ask us to say how we protected against a bankruptcy for the current project. Rather, what it asks for is a summary or analysis of the prior bankruptcy. With that in mind, I shortened Brett's longer summary.

Happy to talk further,  
Tim

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On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 1:26 PM, Alice Yates - S <[alice.yates@gsa.gov](mailto:alice.yates@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Thank you for the detailed information.

Is the summary below accurate? (I realize "have been addressed" is somewhat vague - but I think that is necessary because of course there are still market uncertainties, and there will always be those uncertainties. If there is anything further we can say about protections we have in place to guard against any losses as a result of bankruptcy, that would also be useful to add. Thank you.

While the previous tenant leasing at the Old Post Office did file for bankruptcy, that occurred due to a variety of reasons that have been addressed in this lease under the governance of the Old Post Office Building Redevelopment Act of 2008.

On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 12:28 PM, Brett Banks - WPT <[brett.banks@gsa.gov](mailto:brett.banks@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Andrew/Alice,

The information below details out the previous transaction at the OPO. Unfortunately, it is tough to summarize in a couple of sentences. I hope this helps.

Thanks,

Brett

## **OUTLEASE**

The original OPO redevelopment initiative grew out of the 1976 Cooperative Use Act. GSA's objective was to enhance the public's use of the building and its contribution to the Pennsylvania Avenue neighborhood. In 1982, GSA awarded a "master lease" for that portion of the OPO subsequently named the Pavilion. The leased premises were located on part of the first three levels: the Ground, Main or First level, and the Balcony/Mezzanine level. The term of the master lease was for 55 years. It obligated the master lessee to make improvements for retail tenants and to operate and maintain retail operations within the leased premises. The master lessee was Post Office Pavilion Joint Venture (POPJV), a partnership formed, in part, by the Evans Development Company and Hillman properties. To undertake their development plans POPJV would ultimately borrow \$28 million for construction and leasehold improvements from Wells Fargo Bank, secured by the leasehold interest.

In 1983, the building reopened with a mix of Federal tenants and outleased retail uses. Public Law 98-1 designated the OPO's adjoining plaza and adjacent grounds as the Nancy Hanks Center in recognition of her devotion to the arts and preservation of architecturally significant buildings. The Public Law also directed GSA to execute an agreement with the Secretary of the Interior for the operation of the clock observation tower by the National Park Service. The National Park Service operates the tower, providing public access to the bells and panoramic views from the second highest structure in the District.

The master lease was amended in 1989 to enable construction of a new retail facility (Annex) to be built in the OPO/IRS courtyard, of approximately 53,000 square feet. In March 1992, the Annex was constructed, with Federal funds totaling \$1.75 million and private funds for \$5.5 million invested. The building opened, but it was never fully leased. The development of both, the OPO and its Annex, was not financially successful, resulting in a default on the mortgaged leasehold in 1993. Some reasons for the failure of the retail include:

- Poor tenant satisfaction and constant retail turnover;
- Poor financial performance on retail element due to market conditions;
- No clear destination identity associated with the downtown retail market;
- Failure to utilize the whole of the building in a unified manner where all the building elements contributed to a comprehensive development strategy.

Collin Equities, an affiliate of Wells Fargo, acquired the leasehold interest for \$8.5 million at foreclosure. Collin, not a long-term holder of real estate, commenced with attempts to sell the leasehold interest and restructure the leasehold terms/conditions. Collin hired Hill Partners as property manager, leasing agent and consultant.

In 1998, following unsuccessful attempts to restructure the lease, GSA determined that an entire building approach, utilizing a competitive RFP process, was the prudent approach to repositioning the building. GSA commenced discussions with Collin to buyout the master lease.

## **GSA's DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Omnibus Consolidation and Emergency Supplemental Appropriation Act of 1999, Public Law 105-277, required GSA to submit to Congress a development plan for the OPO. This plan had to be submitted before Federal funds could be used to convert the OPO from office to another use and before Federal funds could be made available to buyout the existing leasehold. GSA submitted its plan to Congress in December 2000 recommending that the highest and best use of the building was as a hotel. In June of 2001, Congress reviewed the plan and directed GSA to issue a solicitation for offers, which omitted a prescribed use, mandated that redevelopment occur under Section 111 of the National Historic



Preservation Act, ensured continued public accessibility and included a provision for government compensation for the full value of the development. In 2001, GSA paid Wells Fargo \$7.1M to acquire the leasehold interest. As a result, the Annex as well as the tenant improvements in the leased portion of the OPO are now unencumbered by any long-term lease.

In June 2003, GSA made available for public comment, an outline for the Request for Qualifications (RFQ). Since that time, GSA has been working with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to address their questions and concerns regarding the development of the building.

On Wed, Dec 21, 2016 at 5:57 PM, Andrew Blaylock - S <[andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov](mailto:andrew.blaylock@gsa.gov)> wrote:  
Good evening, Brett and Mary,

As we discussed Friday of last week, Some House Members would like a summary or analysis of the bankruptcy of the previous tenant leasing the Old Post Office. Do you all have some background information on the issue and how it was resolved that you could send us?

Thank you,

Andrew

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